## **IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

- 1. (Currently Amended) A cosmetic applicator, comprising:
- a brush (7) consisting of a pluarality of bristles (8);
- a fixing portion (6) with a hole (5) formed at one end thereof of the fixing portion so that the brush (7) is inserted into the hole; and
  - a rod (4) coupled to the fixing portion (6) to support the fixing portion (6),

wherein the fixing portion (6) is made of a plastic material and formed to be flat through a pressing process, thereby securing the brush (7) inserted into the hole (5) in a flattened shape , and wherein the brush is not distorted when the brush is inserted into the fixing portion.

2. (Currently Amended) The cosmetic applicator as claimed in claim 1, wherein the rod (4) is made of plastic synthetic resin, and the fixing portion (6) is formed integrally with an end of the rod (4).